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Rep. Shankland: Statement on Release of Violent Sex Offender to Town of Alban

STEVENS POINT – Representative Katrina Shankland (D-Stevens Point) released the following statement today in response to reports that sexually violent person Peter Yogerst has been ordered to be released to the Town of Alban in Portage County.

"Like the residents of the Town of Alban, I am deeply concerned by the placement of Peter Yogerst in our community. A new residency law for sexually violent persons has allowed a judge from another county to place a violent offender here despite the wishes of local authorities and residents. This law's infringement on local control is the primary reason why I voted against it in the State Assembly. I have spoken with local officials and look forward to meeting with town of Alban residents. I have also reached out to the legislator who authored this law change and will be actively working to fix its shortcomings through new legislation."

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